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TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI
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SUBJECT: PROBLEMS IN OBTAINING ZAIRIAN VISAS IN BANGUI,
CAE

REF: BANGUI 525 (NOTAL); BANGUI 449 (NOTAL)

1. ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENT AND POSTS ABROAD HAVE STATUTORY
AUTHORITY TO VERIFY U.S. PASSPORTS, SEE 22 USC 211A (8 FAM)
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245.33), SECRETARY OF STATE HAS NO AUTHORITY TO
RECOMMEND TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENT THAT VISA BE ISSUE OR
DENIED TO A U.S. NATIONAL. IN FACT, SUCH A PROCEDURE WOULD
BE CONTRARY TO LINE OF U.S. COURT DECISIONS AND CURRENT
POLICY ON THE RIGHT TO TRAVEL, AND COULD PLACE DEPARTMENT
IN POSITION OF RESTRICTING RIGHT OF U.S. CITIZENS TO
TRAVEL ABROAD BY WITHHOLDING COVERING LETTER OR RECOMMEN-

DATION. IT WOULD ALSO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL WORKLOAD ON
CONSULAR OFFICER.

ZAIRIA VISA POLICY UNLIKELY TO BE CLEAR OR GLOBALLY
CONSISTENT. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT CURRENT
CIRCUMSTANCES APPROPRIATE FOR DISCUSSION OF VISA PROBLEMS
WITH GOZ. THEREFORE, REQUEST ALL ADDRESSEE POSTS ADVISE
TRAVELERS WHO INTEND TO ENTER ZAIRE OVERLAND TO OBTAIN
ZAIRIAN VISA FROM COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE. TRAVELERS
CANNOT REPEAT NOT COUNT ON ZAIRIAN VISAS BEING ISSUED IN

BANGUI, CAE.

3. FOR LONDON: REQUEST YOU PASS THIS ADVICE TO OVERLAND
COMPANIES WHICH REGULARLY OPERATE LONDON TO EAST AFRICA.

4. FOR BANGUI: DO NOT ISSUE ANY ATTESTATIONS. YOU MIGHT
TRY PASSPORT CERTIFICATION AS SET FORTH 8 FAM TO SEE
IF THAT WORKS. OTHERWISE TRAVELERS WILL JUST HAVE TO
MANAGE AS BEST THEY CAN.

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